WHEREAS, the Petitioner herein requested a special exception and variances for an Antique Shop on the subject property in accordance with the plan submitted and identified as Petitioner's Exhibit 1;

WHEREAS, the relief requested was granted, subject to restrictions, by Order issued April 17, 1991;

WHEREAS, by letter dated May 15, 1991, Counsel for Petitioner requested a modification of Restriction No. 2 thereof to extend the time limitations in the event said use of the subject property should terminate;

WHEREAS, Petitioner has obtained written approval of the requested modification from the Greater Sparks Glencoe Community Council, by its President, Paul Hupfer;

IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this //e day of May, 1991 that the Order issued April 17, 1991 be and the same is hereby AMENDED to modify Restriction No. 2 thereof to

> The special exception granted herein is limited to the use of the subject property as an antique shop. In the event the use of the subject property as an antique shop is discontinued for one hundred twenty (120) days or more, the relief granted herein shall terminate."

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other conditions and restrictions contained in the Order issued April 17, 1991 shall remain in full force and effect.

> ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

cc: Lewis L. Fleury, Esquire 424 Woodbine Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 Mr. John G. Leonard, Jr. 29 Chesterfield Court, Monkton, Md. 21111

Mr. Paul Hupfer 831 Walter Lane, Sparks, Md. 21152 People's Counsel

ORD Date

AND ZONING VARIANCE - W/S of York Rd., 315' S of Belfast Rd. * DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER (15116 York Road) * OF BALTIMORE COUNTY 8th Election District 3rd Councilmanic District * Case No. 90-475-XA

IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION * BEFORE THE

John B. Merryman Petitioner * * * * * * * * * *

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioner herein requests a special exception to use the subject property, zoned R.C. 5, for an Antique Shop, and variances to allow an existing double-faced, freestanding sign of 14 sq.ft. in area in lieu of the permitted single-faced sign not to exceed 5 sq.ft. in area, and to allow a setback from the street centerline of 58 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet, all as more particularly described in Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

The Petitioner appeared, testified, and was represented by Lewis L. Fleury, Esquire. Also appearing on behalf of the Petitions were Janinne Rodgers and Judy L. Wilson, Tenants, Eugene F. Raphel, Surveyor, and Jim McDonald, resident of the area. Appearing as Protestants in the matter were Jack Leonard and Paul A. Hupfer.

Testimony indicated that the subject property, known as 15116 York Road, consists of 1.003 acres zoned R.C. 5 and is improved with a one story stone building presently used as an Antique Shop. Petitioner testified that as a result of a complaint filed with the Zoning Office, the instant Petitions were filed to legalize the current use of the subject property. Mr. Merryman testified that his father purchased the subject property in 1922 and built the existing stone building in 1923. He indicated that the property has had numerous uses over the years, including use

as a dairy store where milk, ice cream and sandwiches were sold. Thereafter, in 1948 his father sold the dairy business and the property remained vacant for some time. Mr. Merryman testified that in the early 1950's, an antique shop was established in the building and various antique/craft shop uses have continued as such to the present. He testified that in his opinion, the building is an asset to the community and its continued use as an antique shop will not result in any detriment to the public health, safety or general welfare.

Judy Wilson testified that she and Jannine Rodgers have managed an antique shop, presently known as the Milk House, since November, 1989. She testified that the store is open for limited hours and that the number of visitors to the site amounts to 1 or 2 vehicles on the property at any one time. Ms. Wilson testified that in her opinion, the use of the property as an antique shop is in keeping with the character of the neighborhood and the zoning of the property and in no way conflicts with any of the requirements set forth in Section 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R., including, but not limited to, not causing any detrimental impact on the health, safety or general welfare of the surrounding community.

Eugene Raphel testified in support of the relief requested. He testified that the subject site is located on a small portion of Petitioner's property, which comprises 100 acres overall. Mr. Raphel testified that there have been no improvements to the subject site over the years and that the building that exists today is the same as it was when established in 1922 by Petitioner's father. He testified that he has 40 years experience as a land surveyor and that in his opinion, the use proposed meets the special exception requirements of Section 502.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.).

Petitioner requested a variance to erect the sign depicted on Petitioner's Exhibit 4C in lieu of one in strict compliance. Testimony indicated the granting of the variance will not result in any detriment to

the health, safety or general welfare of the community.

The Protestants testified in opposition to the proposed use. Jack Leonard testified that he lives approximately 4 miles from the subject site off of Corbett Road. He indicated that the subject property is in a key location and that he is opposed to any commercial uses in the area. Hr. Leonard testified that he fears a domino effect will occur if the relief requested is granted. Paul Hupfer testified that he is familiar with the subject site and that three other properties in the area had requested reclassification for commercial purposes. The Protestants are concerned with maintaining the rural nature of the area.

The Protestants asked if the relief requested is granted that there be no macadam paving of the driveway and parking area as in their opinion, the present situation, as depicted in the pictures submitted, is adequate and more in keeping with the rural countryside. Petitioner agreed and subsequently filed the variance petition regarding the paving and parking requirements in Case No. 91-222-A, In Re: Merryman.

It is clear that the B.C.Z.R. permits the use proposed in an R.C.5 zone by special exception. However, it must be determined if the conditions delineated in Section 502.1 are satisfied.

The Petitioner had the burden of adducing testimony and evidence which would show that the proposed use met the prescribed standards and requirements set forth in Section 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R. The Petitioner has shown that the proposed use would be conducted without real detriment to the neighborhood and would not adversely affect the public interest.

In fact, the Petitioner submitted a signed Petition from numerous neighbors indicating their unanimous support of the relief requested. Further, the testimony and evidence presented would indicate that the subject property has been used continuously for commercial uses since its development in 1922. The facts and circumstances do not show that the proposed use at the particular location described by Petitioner's Exhibit 1 would have any adverse impact above and beyond that inherently associated with such a special exception use, irrespective of its location within the zone. Schultz v. Pritts, 432 A.2d 1319 (1981).

The proposed use will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality, nor tend to create congestion in roads, streets, or alleys therein, nor be inconsistent with the purposes of the property's zoning classification, nor in any other way be inconsistent with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it appears the relief requested in the special exception should be granted, subject to restrictions, as more fully described below.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

1) whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily

2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and

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3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28

It is clear from the testimony that if the variance is granted, such use as proposed would not be contrary to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and would not result in substantial detriment to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested in the special exception and variances should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this _____day of April, 1991 that the Petition for Special Exception to use the subject property, zoned R.C. 5, for an Antique Shop, and the Petition for Zoning Variance to permit one (1) double-faced, freestanding sign of 14 sq.ft. (28 sq.ft. total) in lieu of the permitted single-faced sign not to exceed 5 sq.ft. in area, and to allow a setback from the street centerline of 58 feet in lieu of the required 75 feet, in accordance with Petitioner's exhibit 1, be and are hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restrictions which are conditions precedent to the relief granted:

> 1) The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its

> 2) The special exception granted herein is limited to the use of the subject property as an antique shop. In the event the use of the subject property as an

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antique shop is discontinued for sixty (60) days or more, the relief granted herein shall terminate. 3) The hours of operation of the subject antique

sho, shall be limited to from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM. 4) The sign variance is limited to the sign depicted on Petitioner's Exhibit 1 and the photograph marked

5) The relief granted herein is conditioned upon compliance with the relief and restrictions set forth in Case No. 91-222-A.

Petitioner's Exhibit 4A.

6) When applying for a building permit, the site plan filed must reference this case and set forth and address the restrictions of this Order.

> ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning 887-3353 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204 April 17, 1991 Lewis L. Fleury, Esquire 424 Woodbine Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE W/S of York Road, 315' S of Belfast Road (15116 York Road) 8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District John B. Merryman - Petitioner Case No. 90-475-XA Dear Mr. Fleury: Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Exception and Variance have been granted in accordance with the attached Order. In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact Ms. Charlotte Radcliffe at 887-3391. Very truly yours, a MN-hom ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County cc: Mr. John G. Leonard, Jr. 29 Chesterfield Court, Monkton, Md. Mr. Paul Hupfer 831 Walter Lane, Sparks, Md. People's Counsel

Zoning Commissione PUBLIC HEARING FEES 020 -ZONING VARIANCE (OTHER) 050 -SPECIAL EXCEPTION \$350.00 LAST, NAME OF OWNER: MERRYMAN 011 **** 35000: a 305%F

File

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING AND 91-222-A Date of return: 3-15-91.....

PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY: The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Exception under the Zoning Law and Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to use the herein described property for __an Antique Shop in a R.C. 5 Zone per Sect. 402.B of __ the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Exception advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Legal Owner(s): Contract Purchaser: (Type or Print Name) MM Duryman STA (Type or Print Name) Address City and State Attorney for Petit oner: 1140 COLD BOTTOM RD. 771-4621 LEWIS L. FLEURY, ESQUIRE (Type or Print Name) SPARKS MO. 21152 JJBlenne Name, address and phone number of legal owner, con-424 Woodbine Avenue tract purchaser or representative to be contacted Towson, Maryland 21204 JOHN B. MERRYMAN City and State U40 COLD BOTTOM RD. 771-4624 Attorney's Telephone No.: _825-9200 ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this _____ day , 19____, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughbut Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be had before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

published in TOWSON TIMES, a weekly newspaper published in

Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of ____ successive

weeks, the first publication appearing on May 16 . 19 90.

Petitions for Special Excep-tion and Zoning Variance Case number: 90-475-XA W/S York Road, 315' S of

any request to a said permit during the period for good cause shown Such request must be in writing and received in this office by the

TOWSON, MD., May 21 . 1996

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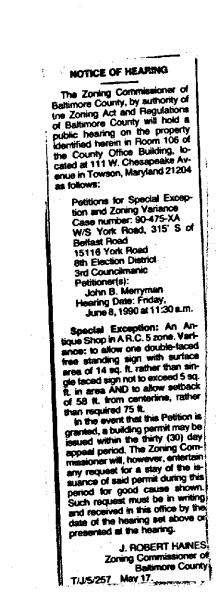
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Variance from Sections 413.1 and 402.8.3 to allow one double faced free standing sign with surface area of f square feet ratherthan single faced sign not to exceed 5 square feet in area andfromSection 1.A0 4.3B.3 to allow setback of 58 feet from center line, rather than required 75 feet. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty) That the limitations of sign design and area set out in Sections 413.1 and 402.8.3 would cause practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship since the property is on a high speed highway and is not readily visible from the road. Compliance with Section 1A04.3B.3 would cause practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship by requiring moving the existing building 13 feet farther from the center line of York Road. Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law For Baltimore County. I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Legal Owner(s): Contract Purchaser: (Type or Print Name) Signature (Type or Print Name) City and State Attorney for Petitioner: 1140 Cold Bottom Road Sparks, Maryland 21152 City and State Name, address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted Towson, Maryland 21204 John B. Merryman 1140 Cold Bottom Road Attorney's Telephone No.: 825-9200 ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this _____ day of _____, 19____, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be had before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County any Time or Dong I How Hong Time.

PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a

TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY:



CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of _____ successive

THE JEFFERSONIAN.

RAPHEL & ASSOCIATES Registered Professional Land Surveyors 205 COURTLAND AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

DESCRIPTION TO ACCOMPANY

Beginning for the same in the centerline of York Road (Route 45), 66' wide, said point being located S 14° 30' 00" E 315' + from the intersection formed by the centerline of Belfast Road and the centerline of York Road (Route 45), running thence in the centerline of York Road (Route 45), S 140 30' 00" E 230.00', thence leaving York Road, (Route 45), and running the 3 following courses and distances: 1) Parrallel to and 70' southeasterly from the existing stone building S 75° 30' 00" W 190', thence 2) N 14° 30' 00" W 230.00', 3) N 75° 30' 00" E 190.00' to the place of beginning.

Containing 1.003 Ac. +. Being known as #15116 York Road.



CERTIFICATE OF POSTING 90-475-XA Date of Posting May 18 - 90 Special Co ception & Variance Petitioner: John B Murryman Location of property: W/S of your Road, 3155 of Belfson Rend Location of Signer Confront of 15116 2118 Road Date of return: Mary 5-20

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Baltimore County Zoning Commissione Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Robert Haines
Zoning Commissioner

DATE 5-30-90

John B. Merryman 1140 Cold Bottom Road Sparks, Maryland 21152

Re: Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance

CASE NUMBER: 90-475-XA W/S York Road, 315' 5 of Belfast Road

15116 York Road 8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic

Petitioner(s): John B. Merryman HEARING: FRIDAY, JUNE B, 1990 at 11:30 a.m.

Dear Petitioner:

Please be advised that \$162.65 is due for advertising and posting of the above captioned property.

THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN & POST SET(S)

RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT ISSUE.

DO NOT REMOVE THE SIGN & POST SET(S) FROM THE PROPERTY

UNTIL THE DAY OF THE HEARING.

Please make your check payable to Baltimore County, Maryland. Bring the check and the sign & post set(s) to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 113, Towson, Maryland fifteen (15) minutes before your hearing is scheduled to begin.

Be advised that should you fail to return the sign & post set(s), there will be an additional \$50.00 added to the above amount for each such set not returned.

cc: Lewis L. Fleury, Esq.

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of l'lanning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Robert Haines

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Dennis F. Rasmussen
County Executive

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this

ROBERT HAINES ZONING COMMISSIONER

Received By:

Petitioner: John B. Merryman Petitioner's Attorney: Lewis L. Fleury

25th day of April, 1990.

Baltimore County Zoning Commissione Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Robert Haines
Zoning Commissioner

April 30, 1990



NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance CASE NUMBER: 90-475-XA W/S York Road, 315' S of Belfast Road 15116 York Road 8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic Petitioner(s): John B. Merryman HEARING: FRIDAY, JUNE B, 1990 at 11:30 a.m.

Special Exception: An Antique Shop in A R.C. 5 zone. Variance: To allow one double-faced free standing sign with surface area of 14 sq. ft. rather than single faced sign not to exceed 5 sq. ft. in area AND to allow setback of 58 ft. from centerline, rather than required 75 ft.

In the event that this Petition is granted, a building permit may be issued within the thirty (30) day appeal period. The Zoning Commissioner will, however, entertain any request for a stay of the issuance of said permi during this period for good cause shown. Such request must be in writing and received in this office by the date of the hearing set above or presented at the hearing.

Baltimore County

cc: John B. Merryman Lewis L. Fleury, Esq.

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration Richard H. Trainor Secretary Hal Kassoff Administrator

May 15, 1990 Re: Baltimore County Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner County Office Building

John B. Merryman Property Zoning meeting 4/24/90 W/S York Road MD 45 315' south of Belfast Road Item # 348

Dear Mr. Haines:

Att: James Dyer

Towson, Maryland 21204

After reviewing the submittal for a special exception for an antique shop, we find the plan must be revised to show construction of concrete curb and gutter along the frontage of this site at a distance of 24' from the centerline of York Road.

We have forwarded this plan to our Project Development Section for their review concerning any possible right-of-way impact to this property from our future York Road widening between Shawan Road and Belfast Road. We will forward their comments when received.

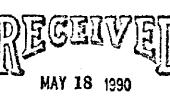
Also, we have forwarded a plan to our Highway Beautification Section, C/O George Dawson (333-1642) to comment on the variance to allow one double faced free standing sign with surface area of 14 square feet rather than single faced sign not to exceed 5 square feet in an area.

If you have any questions, contact Larry Brocato (333-1350). Very truly yours,

Carlo Non

Charles Rose, Acting Chief Engineering Access Permits Division

cc: E.F. Raphel and Associates Mr. Doug Simmons w/att. Mr. George Dawson w/att. Mr. J. Ogle



ZONING OFFICE

333-1350 My telephone number is (301)_____ Teletypewriter for Impaired Hearing or Speech
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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

February 11, 1991

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

Case Numbers: 90-475-XA and 91-222-A W/S York Road, 315' S of Belfast Road 15116 York Road 8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic Petitioner(s): John B. Merryman HEARING: THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1991 at 9:30 a.m.

Special Exception for an antique shop in a R.C. 5 zone. Variance to allow one double faced frre standing sign with surface area of 14 sq. ft. rather than single faced sign not to exceed 5 sq. ft. in area and to allow setback of 58 ft. from cneterline. rather than 75 ft.

Variance to allow 3 existing parking spaces rather than 4 required; to allow existing design, screening, landscaping and unstriped stone surface for parking rather than those required; and to allow 2 foot setback from street right-of-way for off-street parking in lieu of the required 10 feet.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

DATE: May 14, 1990

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

The Petitioner requests a Special Exception for an antique shop in an RC5 zone and Variances to setback and sign area regulations for

In reference to this request, staff offers the following

A CRG meeting or waiver is required for the proposed use.

way for York Road. The use division line should be

An approved landscape plan is required prior to the issuance of any building or occupancy permits.

* The structure, a dairy building on the Merryman Farm, was constructed before 1850. It is listed on the Maryland Historic Trust

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the

adjusted to exclude land situated within the York Road

right-of-way. The sign and parking lot will need to be relocated to reflect the 80 ft. right-of-way width. *

The site plan should indicate the ultimate 80 ft. right-of-

This office is concerned about the lack of water and septic facilities in a commercial establishment. Proper on-site

sanitary facilities should be available for the current or

The site plan should reflect the current ownership and deed reference of the surrounding farm.

J. Robert Haines

Zoning Commissioner

SUBJECT: Zoning Petition No. 90-475-XA

inventory as Site No. BA375.

Office of Planning at 887-3211.

the proposed use.

comments:

Pat Keller, Deputy Director Office of Planning and Zoning

John B. Merryman, Item No. 348

future operators of the business.

J. Robert House

Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

cc: John B. Merryman

Zoning Commissione Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Robert Haines

Baltimore County

May 29, 1990

Lewis L. Fleury, Esquire 424 Woodbine Avenue Towson, MD 21204

RE: Item No. 348, Case No. 90-475-XA Petitioner: John B. Merryman Petition for Special Exception and Zoning Variance

Dear Mr. Fleury:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have a bearing on this case. Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suitability of the requested zoning.

Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Committee at this time that offer or request information on your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly.

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD RETURN YOUR WRITTEN COMMENTS TO MY OFFICE, ATTENTION JULIE WINIARSKI. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS, PLEASE CONTACT HER AT 887-3391.

Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

Enclosures

cc: Mr. John B. Merryman 1140 Cold Bottom Road Sparks, MD 21152

Baltimore County Department of Permits & Licenses 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3610 Ted Zaleski, Jr.

APRIL 13, 1990



J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning Baltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204

RE: Property Owner: JOHN B. MERRYMAN

Location: #15116 YORK ROAD

Item No.: 348 Zoning Agenda: APRIL 24, 1990

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Eureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time.

Fire Prevention Fereau Special Inspection Division

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Zoning Advisory Committee DATE: May 14, 1990 FROM: Robert W. Bowling, P.E.

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for April 24, 1990

The Developers Engineering Division has reviewed the subject zoning items and we have no comments for Items 338, 343, 346, 348 and 350.

For Item 347, the previous County Review Group Comments still apply.

For Items 344 and 349, a County Review Group Meeting is required.

For Item 345, Windsor Mill Road shall be improved as a 40-foot paving section on a 60-foot right-of-way. Five (5) foot widening is required.

> ROBERT W. BOWLING, P.E., St. Developers Engineering Division

RWB:s

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Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration Richard H. Trainor **Sucretary** Hal Kassoff Administrator

John B. Merryman Property

Zoning Meeting of 4-24-90

315' South of Belfast Rd.

W/S York Road (MD 45)

(Item #348)

September 28, 1990

Re: Baltimore County Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 Attn: Mr. James Dyer

Dear Mr. Haines: This is to follow up to our previous letter dated May 15th, that stated we will require construction of concrete curb and gutter along York Road.

After reviewing the revised plan showing no proposed changes or improvements to this property, we are agreeable to eliminate the requirements for highway improvements for this site.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Larry Brocato at (301) 333-1350.

Very truly yours, onn Contestabile, Chief Engineering Access Permits Division

LB: maw

cc: E.F. Raphel & Assoc. Mr. J. Ogle

ZONING OFFICE

My telephone number is (301) 333-1350 (Fax #333-1041)

June 4,1990

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND Inter-Office Correspondence

DATE: August 22, 1990

Gwendolyn Stephens Docket Clerk

Ann M. Nastarowicz Deputy Zoning Commissioner

SUBJECT: Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance W/S York Road, 315' S of Belfast Road (15116 York Road) 8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District John B. Merryman - Petitioner

Case No. 90-475-XA 💈

In accordance with the attached correspondence, it is my understanding that Counsel for Petitioner will be filing an additional Petition in this matter. At the time of scheduling the hearing, please be sure to also notify John G. Leonard, Jr. and Paul A. Hupfer with the Greater Sparks-Glencoe Community Council of the date and time of the continued hearing. The subject property should also be both posted and advertised.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353

August 22, 1990

J. Robert Haines

Mr. John G. Leonard, Jr. Zoning Committee Chairman Greater Sparks-Glencoe Comm. Council (GSGCC) 29 Chesterfield Court Monkton, Maryland 21111

Mr. Paul Hupfer Zoning Coordinator GSGCC - Southeast Distr 831 Walter Lane Sparks, Maryland

Dennis F. Rasmussen
County Executive

RE: Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance W/S York Road, 315' S of Belfast Road

8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District John B. Merryman - Petitioner Case No. 90-475-XA

Dear Messrs. Leonard and Hupfer:

(15116 York Road)

In response to your letter dated August 8, 1990 (received in this office on August 21, 1990) regarding the above-captioned matter, the following comments are offered.

As indicated at the hearing held on June 8, 1990, the subject matter was continued to allow Petitioner to further examine the relief requested and file any additional Petitions necessary to avoid changing the present parking situation as requested by both the Petitioner and the Protestants. It is my understanding that Counsel for Petitioner intends to file an additional Petition, if he has not already done so. At the time of scheduling, both of you will be notified as well as the property posted and advertised.

If you should have any questions regarding Petitioner's plans, it is suggested that you contact the Petitioner's attorney, Lewis L. Fleury, Esquire, at 825-9200. Pending the issuance of an opinion, I will not engage in discussions regarding the merits of this case with either the Petitioner or the Protestants. All matters which need to be addressed by me will be discussed at the public hearing.

A copy of this letter as well as your letter will be forwarded to Mr. Fleury. It is suggested that you forward copies of any future correspondence addressed to this office either directly to the Petitioner or his Counsel. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

> Very truly yours, On M Nohana ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

cc: Lewis L. Fleury, Esquire 424 Woodbine Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204

GSGCC believes that the current request is no longer consistent with the operation of a small antique shop as currently exists in this area. The request to include approximately 1 acre in the special exception and providing a paved parking area on the site is an obvious attempt to begin commercial development and usage at this location. GSGCC believes that the granting of this special exception request would open the door for future requests

for zoning changes or special exceptions at the York Road/Belfast Road intersection. If this were to happen, the entire surrounding community would be irreparably adversely affected. Commercial operations at this location would probably have an adverse impact on the property values of the surrounding community. A commercial establishment is not compatible with the nature of RC zoning or the surrounding land uses in this area. The Baltimore County Master Plan designates this area as resource conservation with the intention of keeping it rural and residential in nature. The addition of a commercial operation on this site would be in conflict with, and contrary to the spirit of, the Master Plan.

Environmental and safety issues associated with the use of this site as a commercial establishment are also of concern to GSGCC. The access of this property onto York Road and available parking is not compatible with the safe ingress and egress of patrons who would frequent this establishment. The addition of adequate and safe facilities proposed to correct these problems could potentially have a negative impact to the sensitive environmental area in which this property is located. The substantial grading which would be required to provide the parking area and the addition of a large impervious surface would have an impact on the large stream valley and wetlands area which is adjacent to the property. Also, paints and solvents are utilized in the operation of this business with no adequate facilities on the site to accommodate safe disposal.

There currently exists no water or septic on this site. This leads to health related concerns for this operation. The addition of these facilities on the site would once again further the concerns of GSGCC that this request is just a first step towards future commercial development on this property and in the area.

Based upon the issues and information stated above, GSGCC believes that the approval of this request to allow the usage of this property for commercial purposes would be inappropriate and contrary to existing zoning regulation as well as potentially injurious to the health, safety and general welfare of the surrounding communities. Furthermore, since the variance requested is contingent upon the granting of the special exception, GSGCC believes that it should also be denied.

> Tolonau JOHN G. LEONARD, JR. Zoning Committee Chairman Greater Sparks Glencoe Community Council

29 Chesterfield Ct. Monkton, Md. 21111

PAUL HUPFER Zoning Coordinator GSGCC Southeast District 831 Walters Lane Sparks, Md. 21152

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

Inter-Office Correspondence

DATE: August 22, 1990

Gwendolyn Stephens Docket Clerk

Ann M. Nastarowicz Deputy Zoning Commissioner

SUBJECT: Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance W/S York Road, 315' S of Belfast Road (15116 York Road) 8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District

John B. Merryman - Petitioner Case No. 90-475-XA

In accordance with the attached correspondence, it is my understanding that Counsel for Petitioner will be filing an additional Petition in this matter. At the time of scheduling the hearing, please be sure to also notify John G. Leonard, Jr. and Paul A. Hupfer with the Greater Sparks-Glencoe Community Council of the date and time of the continued hearing. The subject property should also be both posted and advertised.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner

Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 RE: Special Exception and Variance (90-475-XA, #348) W/S York Road, 315' S of Belfast Road

8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District

Dear Mr. Haines,

The Greater Sparks Glencoe Community Council (GSGCC) has reviewed the subject special exception and variance request and has determined that the granting of this request would be contrary to existing zoning law, is not compatible with the RC zoning of this area, is not consistent with the Baltimore County Master Plan, could impair property values within the surrounding neighborhoods, and would establish a dangerous precedent for future commercial development of the area immediately surrounding the York Road/Belfast Road intersection. Therefore, GSGCC is in opposition to this request and believes that it should be denied by the Zoning Commissioner.

GSGCC is in opposition to this request in principal and not specifically in opposition to the operation of a small antique shop in this general area. Although an antique shop is within the character of the surrounding community, it is a commercial use in a R.C. zone. Albeit this particular location has at various times in the past been utilized for similar operations, it has not been on a continuing use basis or by the same operator and has always been operated in violation of current zoning law. Also, adjacent properties to this site had requested zoning changes to allow commercial use during the most recent 4 year zoning cycle. These requests were denied. Since there has been no substantial change to the basic nature of the surrounding area which would necessitate or support the need to grant a change in zoning at this time, GSGCC believes that the logic and rationale utilized during this process is still valid and should remain the basis for the denial of this particular special exception request.

Very truly yours,

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May 15, 1991

Ms. Ann M. Nastarowicz Deputy Zoning Commissioner County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance W/S York, 315' S of Belfast Road 8th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District Cases Nos. 90-475-XA and 91-222-A, respectively

Dear Deputy Commissioner:

On behalf of Mr. John B. Merryman, owner of the above property, I request the following revisions of the Orders in the above matters entered on April 17, 1991:

As to case no. 90-475-XA, revise subparagraph no. 2 to read as

"2. The special exception granted herein is limited to the use of the subject property as an antique shop. In the event the use of the subject property as an antique shop is disconsubject property as an antique shop is discontinued for one hundred twenty (120) days or tinued, the relief granted herein shall terminate." follows:

As to case no. 91-222-A, revise paragraph no. 2 as follows:

"2. The relief granted herein is limited to the use of the subject property as an antique the use of the subject property as an antique shop. In the event the property is sold or its use as an antique shop is discontinued for one hundred twenty (120) days or more, the relief granted herein shall terminate.

> PETITION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCES

TO: THE ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

RE: ITEM NO 348 - JOHN B. MERRYMAN, ET AL., OWNERS - WESTSIDE YORK ROAD, 435' SOUTH OF BELFAST ROAD

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, PROPERTY-OWNERS AND VOTERS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, BEING UNABLE TO ATTEND THE HEARING IN REFERENCE TO THE ABOVE MATTER ON JUNE 8, 1990, HEREBY EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE APPROVAL OF SAID APPLICATIONS.

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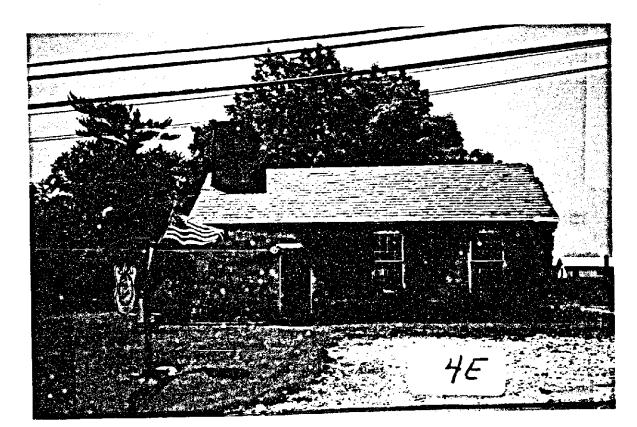
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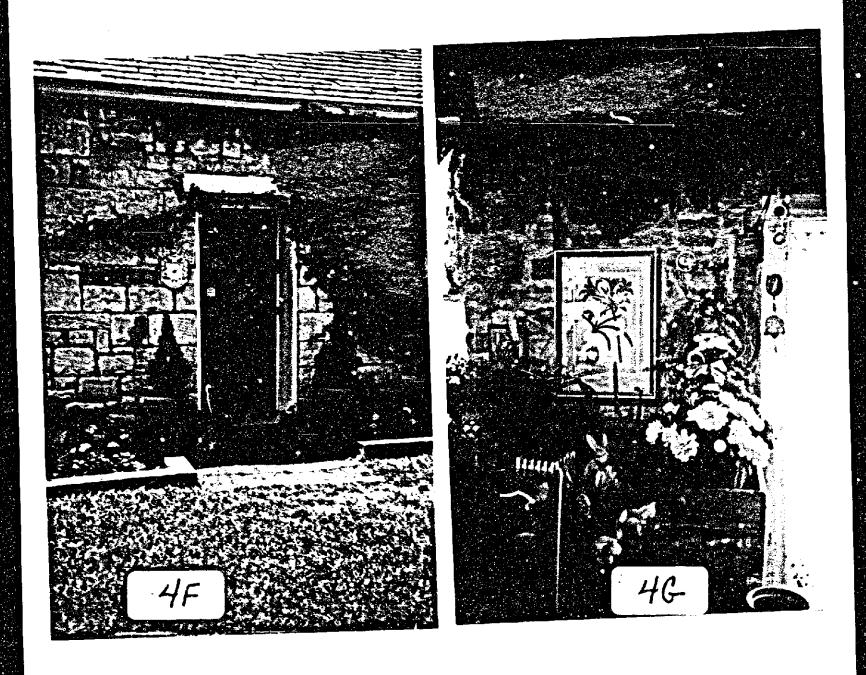
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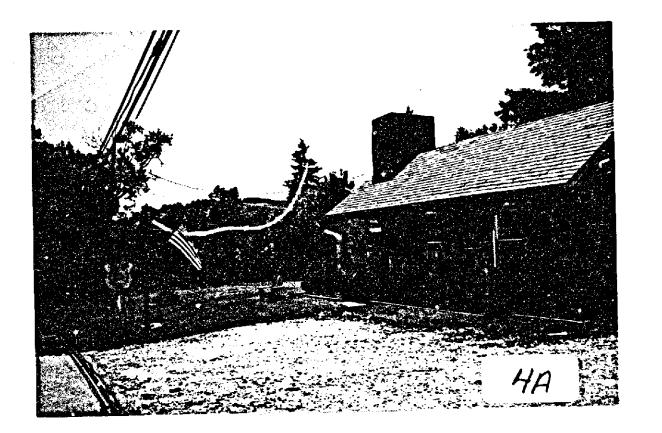
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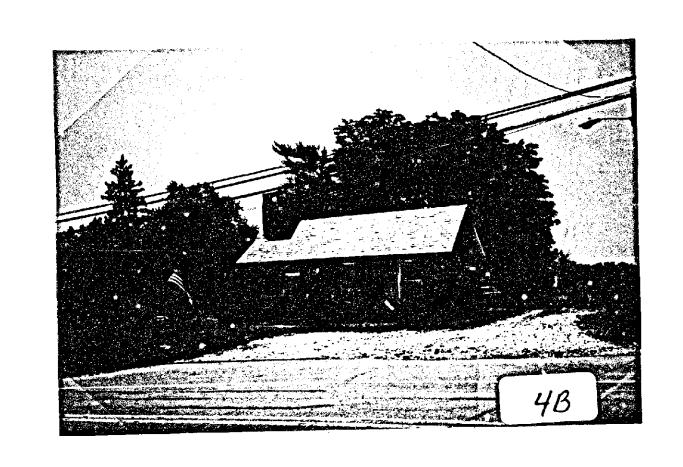
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